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The Northwest Vintage Radio Society meets at the Buena Vista Club House (Atkinson Park) 16th & Jackson Street, Oregon City, Oregon. (Note: take Washington St. to 15th, up 15th hill to Jackson, turn left to 16th).

Meetings are held at 10:00 AM on the Second Saturday of each month except for summer vacation in July and August. The meetings are an opportunity to exchange information and advice. Annual Dues:

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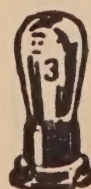
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AND NOW.....THE TOM JAMES POETRY CORNER



ATMOSPHERICA

By TJ

THE INDIAN SIGN

"I've got the hottest set in town",
His words, a local joke-----
'Til his filter block went BLOOIE!
And his SPARTON spouted smoke.

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OLD "ANGELUS"

I have this old CATHEDRAL ---
Tho it has an awful hum ---
The cabinet plies are short on glue,
And the volume control is bum.

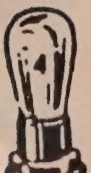
The speaker cone is dragging,
And it has a ragged tear.
The tuning knob is missing,
And the power cord is bare.

But it has a lot of classic form,
And maintains my affection,
Mainly because it's the only one
I have in my collection!

** ** *

INFLATION

I offered a fifty, bathed in a sweat,
(This guy had a SPLITDORF I'd hoped to get)
Then I heard him say,
"Sure, take it away ----
I took it in on a three dollar debt".



Radio Waves

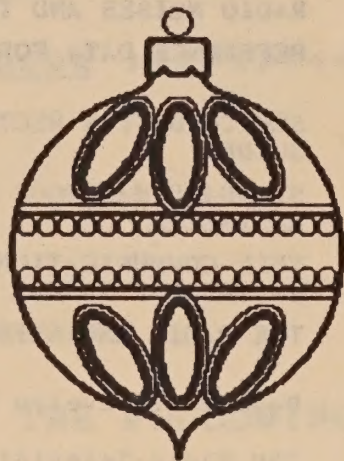
Merry Christmas

By Dick Karman

Among my childhood Christmas memories is a radio adaptation of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. I did not grow up in the time of the *Cinnamon Bear*, nor do I remember *Miracle On Thirty-Nine Street*, the first time around. Dickens was however, a meaningful and solemn reminder of ones' past. If we were to enjoy the benefit of a visitor from Christmas Past, we might remember things that we have forgotten to do, much like Scrooge forgot to benefit "Tiny" Tim.



We've missed that moment to say thank you to men like Tom James, Hugh Ranken, Craig Hoaglin, or Joey Tompkins. Many of us, especially me, have missed the chance to say yes, when asked to serve in a Society office. We missed sending news to the CALL LETTER to make the editor's job easier; volunteering to speak at a meeting to make the vice president's job easier; or help sweep up the clubhouse to make the clean up job easier.



We've all missed something, but we, like Ebenezer, have a chance to make it up. Lets turn over a new leaf so that we can rewrite the pages of future history like the Scrooge of old, and enjoy our society for another 15 years. Say thank you before it's too late. Give a helping hand. Say yes when the time is right. Work together to make 1989 the best year we have for the Ghost of Christmas Future (not someone else's future, Your future).

Radio Waves a fond farewell to 1988
and bids each of you a very joyous
Christmas Holiday.



NWVRS Library Update

RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

The following books have been added to the club library through the donation by Doug Davee. FROM HORNER MUSEUM IN CORVALLIS

BATTERY ENGINEERING DATA	National Carbon Company
EXPERIMENTAL ELECTRONICS	Muller, Garman, Droz
EXPERIMENTS IN ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING	Schultz and Anderson
FREQUENCY MEASUREMENTS AT RADIO FREQUENCIES	General Radio Company
FUNDAMENTALS OF RADIO RECEIVERS	The University of the State of New York
FUNDAMENTAL RADIO EXPERIMENTS	Higgy
LEFAX (LEAF+FACTS)	Lefax
POST WAR SUPPLEMENT TO GENERAL RADIO CATALOG K	General Radio Company
PRINCIPLES OF RADIO	Henney
RADIO NOISES AND THEIR CURE	Tobe Deutschmann Corp.
REFERENCE DATA FOR RADIO ENGINEERS	Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation
SEMICONDUCTOR RECTIFIER COMPONENTS GUIDE	General Electric Co.
STANDARD HANDBOOK FOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS	Knowlton
TELE-COMMUNICATION ENGINEER'S INSTRUMENT MANUAL	Hunter
THE RADIO ENGINEERING HANDBOOK	Henney

Donated By Evelyn Tompkins:

150 Radio-Television Picture Patterns and Diagrams Explained	Coyne Electrical and Television-Radio School
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Donated By Glen Bricker:

Radio Craft Jubilee Souvenir Reprint	Hugo Gernsback
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The following were donated to our library by Mrs. Callahan:

Perpetual Trouble Shooter's Manual, Abridged Vol. I-V,	Rider
Perpetual Trouble Shooter's Manual, Vol. I,	Rider
Perpetual Trouble Shooter's Manual, Vol. VI-XVII,	Rider

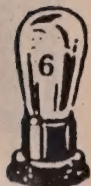
The following were donated to our library by Mr. Jerry Chadwick:

Servicing Superheterodynes	Rider
Installing HI-FI Systems	Markell & Stanton

These, and any other books in our library may be checked out by the Club members by notifying Chuck Kibler by telephone, mail or during a Club meeting.

503-678-5066

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NWVRS Meeting Minutes

Oregon City, Oregon

November 12, 1988

The November 12, 1988 NWVRS meeting was called to order at 10:15 AM by President Dan Howard.

The TREASURER'S REPORT was not announced. Swap meet sellers were reminded to donate a \$3 table fee.

ELECTIONS for 1989 club officers will be held at next months meeting. Contact Don Copeland (503-236-8535) if you've ordered a name tag but havn't received it yet.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20.

Norris W. Jackson

Norris W. Jackson NWVRS Secretary

WELCOME

***** NWVRS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS *****

James Broeffle

John Hunt

John Terrey

James Yeary

NWVRS Coming Events

NWVRS WELCOMES PARTICIPATION IN THE FOLLOWING

December...10....Election/Party

Free coffee and cake will be provided.

Those who wish may bring additional goodies to share.

January ...14....Contest

Bring your most challenging completed restoration project AC or Battery set of Pre-1940 Vintage.

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Portland, Oregon 97266



PSARA President's Message

I wish to congratulate the winners of the last month's contest. Their involvement, time, effort, and concern for promotion of the hobby and building friendships was very much appreciated. To some though, and I fear to the majority, the club is nothing more than a place to buy and sell for their hobby and for business profit. (Bravo for Ed Buhite's editorial in last month's newsletter. Regardless of what each of us may believe about it, he at least is stating an opinion, which is more than most do.) Turnout for the contest was the worst I have seen. The "crystal sets" and the "battery sets 3 tubes or less" categories had only 1 entry each! Each member who can find a copy of the September, 1986 Horn of Plenty should read page 6's letter to the editor by Ken Korhonen and a quote from Darrell Forsberg on the same page. Both of these are excellent examples of the point I am trying to make. Volunteers for the effort were hard to get. As usual, those who worked to make it happen put out much of their own time and money without reward other than personal satisfaction. By checking past records, I have found the same people volunteering every time to keep the club's activities going. This is unacceptable! Should we forget the contest next year? I strongly believe so, unless we can show somebody else cares.

My apologies to our friends in NWVRS for not making it clear whether or not they were allowed to enter, as I believe they were welcome. I wish members of both clubs to consider merging the clubs into one with two chapters, possibly making all members of one automatic associate members of the other, and retaining individual officers for each. To avoid people choosing the one with the least expensive membership, I would suggest members choose the one closest to their home.

I have noted that the NWVRS has a portion of each meeting devoted to "Leads and Needs". I suggest we have such an item and open the meeting up to individuals with helpful hints or with locating or repair problems. Let's make the meetings less "business like".

Jerry Brannon

G.E. H-91

Longfellow Grandfather Clock-Radio

A ten tube superheterodyne using the chassis of the H-51 console. Push-pull '47 and tuned RF were featured. This Grandfather Clock-Radio cost about three times the price of the Philco 570 or the Crosley 124. The price was \$285 in 1931.

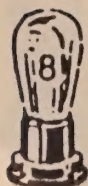


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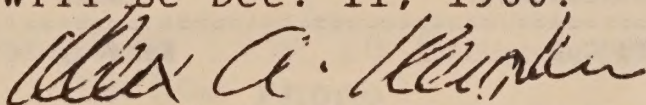
PSARA Meeting Minutes

Seattle, Washington
Sunday, November 20, 1988

Because of the Contest activities, a formal business meeting was not held. Results of the contest can be found on the next two pages in this issue.

Bert Whitaker reminds members that the new Membership Index can be picked up at future club meets; they will not be mailed out except to members living great distances from Seattle.

The next Meeting Will Be Dec. 11, 1988.



Max A. Kaplan, PSARA Secretary

PSARA Coming Events

Shoreline Museum Seattle Washington

December 11, 1988 (Note second Sunday)

11:00 AM Swap Meet

1:00 PM Business Meeting

Presentation: Mark Campbell on
Re-plating of old chrome chassis.
Show and Tell: open

January 15, 1989

11:00 AM Swap Meet

1:00 PM Business Meeting

Presentation: Bert Whitaker on
"Trouble Shooting".
Show and Tell: open

For additional PSARA information contact:

Max Kaplan 206-851-4187.

14902 84th Ave. Ct. NW.

Gig Harbor, Washington 98335

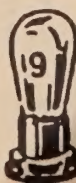
WELCOME

***** P S A R A WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS *****

Don Howland

Dan Brown

Yeary Communications





PUGET SOUND ANTIQUE RADIO ASSOCIATION

1988 Contest Results



HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR CATEGORY A -- CRYSTAL SETS:

Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
A-1 John Schneider	Aeriola, Jr.	81	< 1st

HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR CATEGORY B -- BATTERY SETS, 3 OR LESS TUBES:

Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
B-1 Ed Curry	Kennedy 281 Radio & 521 Amp.	81	< 1st

HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR CATEGORY C -- BATTERY SETS, 4 OR MORE TUBES:

Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
C-1 John Schneider	Radiola Grand	81	< 1st
C-3 Ed Curry	Fine Arts with speaker	51	< 2nd
C-2 Jerry Brannon	Atwater Kent 10B w/ "L" Spkr	38	< 3rd
C-4 Matt Thornton	Crosley 4-29 with Musicone s	18	

HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR CATEGORY D -- AC RADIOS:

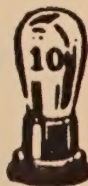
Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
D-3 Edwin Buhite	Crosley 59 Grandfather Clock	51	< 1st
D-5 Edwin Buhite	Zenith 805 cathedral	33	< 2nd
D-1 John Schneider	Atwater Kent 944 Cathedral	31	< 3rd
D-2 Colin Hallgren	Ekco AC-97 bakelite table se	26	
D-6 Ed Curry	Sentinel Catalin	13	
D-7 Eric Lofquist	Graybar 310	12	
D-4 Walt Kiefner	1947 Red Emerson plastic	2	

HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR CATEGORY E -- MILITARY-AMATEUR-COMMUNICATION:

Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
E-1 Jim Barrows	U.S. Army Revr BC-14A, 1918	88	< 1st
E-2 Colin Hallgren	WW 2 Japanese C. W. Xmtr	60	< 2nd

HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR CATEGORY F -- NOVELTY RADIOS:

Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
F-1 Walt Kiefner	Guild Buccaneer Chest	49	< 1st
F-4 John Aikin	Crosley book radio	39	< 2nd
F-5 Ken Korhonen	Guild Town Crier lamp/radio	38	< 3rd
F-2 Walt Kiefner	Full Meal Deal	20	
F-3 Ed Curry	Pepsi Cola Radio	16	



Ole!

(acquisitions)

Edwin Buhite

1932 Crosley 171, 12 Tube True Cathedral
with Magnavox Speaker (as described on
page 3 of the July 1976 Call Letter).

Colin Hallgren

WWII Japanese Military Shortwave Transmitter.

Jim Mason

Hallock & Watson Eight Tube Battery Set
Porto Products Smokerette Novelty radio.

Jerry Talbott

1936 Stromberg Carlson 145P 10 tube 4 band
Deco cabinet, 33-78 RPM Phono.

1946 RCA 66X13 Hard-wood table set.

1949 Muntz 12" TV. Several NOS CRT 49-54 TV

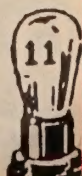
PSARA Contest

HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR CATEGORY G -- MISCELLANEOUS:

No.	Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
G-7	Ed Curry	Majestic plastic horn speake	33 < 1st	
G-3	Steve Von Talge	Midget Cone Speaker	27 < 2nd	
G-2	Walt Kiefner	Arcturus Advertising Sign	23 < 3rd	
G-1	John Schneider	RCA 44BX Microphone	20	
G-4	Steve Von Talge	Weston Meter	16	
G-9	Jim Barrows	Homebrew ham transmitter	15	
G-8	Ed Curry	Brightson UV-199 tube w/box	11	
G-10	Al Atworth	General Radio 724A Wavemeter	8	
G-5	Eric Lofquist	Tungar Battery Charger	5	
G-6	Eric Lofquist	Two Russian Condensers	5	

HERE ARE THE TABULATIONS FOR BEST OF SHOW:

No.	Contestant:	Radio:	Score:	Winner:
C-1	John Schneider	Radiola Grand	36 < 1st	
D-3	Edwin Buhite	Crosley 59 Grandfather Clock	22 < 2nd	
C-3	Ed Curry	Fine Arts with speaker	18 < 3rd	
B-1	Ed Curry	Kennedy 281 Radio & 521 Amp.	17	
D-5	Edwin Buhite	Zenith 805 cathedral	13	
C-2	Jerry Brannon	Atwater Kent 10B w/ "L" Spkr	11	
A-1	John Schneider	Aeriola, Jr.	8	
E-1	Jim Barrows	U.S. Army Rcvr BC-14A, 1918	5	
F-1	Walt Kiefner	Guild Buccaneer Chest	5	
D-2	Colin Hallgren	Ekco AC-97 bakelite table se	4	
C-4	Matt Thornton	Crosley 4-29 with Musicone s	3	
F-2	Walt Kiefner	Full Meal Deal	3	
D-1	John Schneider	Atwater Kent 944 Cathedral	2	
E-2	Colin Hallgren	WW 2 Japanese C. W. Xmtr	2	
F-5	Ken Korhonen	Guild Town Crier lamp/radio	2	
D-6	Ed Curry	Sentinel Catalin	1	



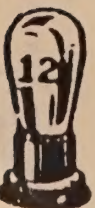
SWAP SHOP

WANTED*****

Tech. Manual for Collins 5LS1 Receiver (borrow to copy or buy). Loop Antenna for Kemper K-5-2 Portable (Vint. Rad. Page 136).
Pre. WWII European Receivers, Tubes Etc.
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December 1988

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10 OREGON CITY NWVRS 10:00 AM Meeting Election Party
11 SEATTLE WASHINGTON PSARA 11:00 AM Swap Meet 1:00 PM Meeting	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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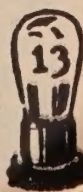
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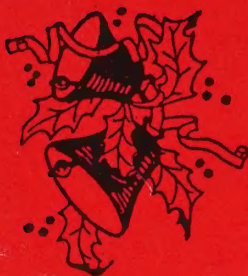
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